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FCC Mail Room

Mr. Kevin Martin  
Federal Communication Commission  
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I understand that you have proposed new rules to allow for greater media consolidation. It appears that you are rushing this through, and want these new rules to begin in December. **This is a terrible project for American democracy! We have all the media consolidation we can tolerate.**

Beginning in 1975, our democracy prevented any one company from owning and operating both a newspaper and a broadcasting TV station in a city. It is unhealthy for a corporation to control the two most popular outlets for news and information. What our democracy needs is more local coverage of local events, and more minority-owned radio and/or TV stations. Media policy has said that diversity of content and intense local content serve the public interest best.

The FCC is a small organization with only 5 individuals whose votes determine future media policy. This is a non-democratic process, not responding to public interest or public opinion. Please allow a great deal of discussion on this proposal – all of us desire to have our Americans well-informed, with information from different view points so that we can make wise decisions in our democracy.

Respectfully yours,



Lois Cowan

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Nov. 5, 2007

The Honorable Kevin Martin  
Chairman Federal Communications Commission  
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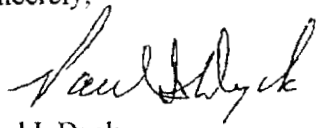
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Dear Chairman Martin,

It has come to my attention that your Commission is planning to relax the rules regarding ownership of news media in the near future. I am very unhappy to think that this outcome is even contemplated. We need to prevent a monoculture of thought to develop in our democracy. Please DO NOT DO THIS. We desperately need to preserve variety of programming and thought to keep our democracy alive and well.

Looking forward to hearing that the rules presently in place have been preserved.

Sincerely,



Paul I. Dyck

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Spokane, Washington  
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Commissioner Kevin J. Martin  
Federal Communications Commission  
Consumer and Governmental Affairs  
445 - 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

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Dear Commissioner Martin,

Once again the Corporate Media Lapdogs at the FCC are determined to take away the remaining diversity of the U.S. Media and give it to their handlers, the Global Mega Media Conglomerates.

Any semblance still remaining of True Democracy as envisioned by those who so carefully crafted our Constitution of the United States of America is to be sold to the highest bidder if the current administration has its way.

The U.S. has been a beacon of hope throughout the world until very recently, that Peace and Justice and Human Rights and Equality for All Peoples and Respect for Peaceful, Independent Nations would triumph.

But no longer!

We are no longer revered but reviled for violating our own Constitution and Bill of Rights through military adventurism and outright wars of conquest and colonialism advancing The Great American Empire. Is there no end?

This must stop! And must stop now!

We have gone way too far emulating the acts of Nazi Germany, Imperial Japan and the Communism of the Soviet Union.

True Democracy in the U.S. is now on life support and cannot long endure should current trends continue.

Please, oh please, help in whatever way you can to reign in the FCC and Preserve the True Democracy of The United States of America.

Yours truly,

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FCC - MAIL ROOM

Dear FCC Commissioners:

We are writing to express our strong disapproval of any relaxation or elimination of media ownership rules. Your own research has shown that media consolidation hurts local news and reduces the number of independent voices in a given market. Relaxing the cross ownership rule simply does not serve the public interest.

In fact, it only serves the interest of the few giant media conglomerates that already own the vast majority of what we see, hear and read. We are stuck in a mess of a war right now that is partly due to the corporately owned media repeating the false claims of the Bush administration all day. We do not want to see another bad rerun. We demand diversity of media ownership! It is the FCC's job to ensure that the privately owned companies who utilize our public airwaves are providing a public service. Eliminating differing and local opinions is obviously not in the public interest.

FCC Chair Kevin Martin has conducted this ownership proceeding by relying on junk science to justify a pre-determined conclusion set out without even the pretense of objective policy analysis. We know this because the first line in a December 2006 memo from the Commission's chief economist, that was obtained as part of a Freedom of Information request and stated: "this document is an attempt to share some thoughts and ideas I have about how the FCC can approach relaxing newspaper-broadcast cross-ownership restrictions."

You will probably be surprised to hear from us, since the big media corporations have not mentioned that this proceeding is even happening. Rest assured, the few of us who see through your game will stand strong together and educate others about the dangers to democracy that media ownership consolidation poses.

The entire media ownership proceeding has been a rigged game. This is an unacceptable record of administrative abuse which creates an enormous credibility deficit which the Commission must overcome in order to win back public confidence in its conclusions before it moves forward with any rule changes on media ownership.

Sincerely,

(The undersigned)

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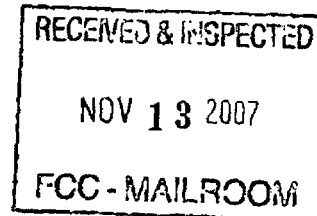
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November 7, 2007

Mr. Kevin J. Martin  
Chairman  
The Federal Communications Commission  
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Dear Chairman Martin,

I am writing in regard to a story I watched last week on *Bill Moyers Journal*, regarding your attempt to hurriedly pass into law new regulations allowing Big Media to further consolidate America's television and radio industry. I am concerned that the de-regulation of the communications industry will result in only a limited number of media conglomerates, i.e. *Disney*, *GE*, *Viacom*, *CBS*, *News Corp.* and *Time Warner* dictating what we read and hear.

I was pleased to see two Senators, Byron Dorgan of North Dakota and Trent Lott of Mississippi, voice their concern of your attempt to fast track these new regulations into law. In this day and age in which America was duped into going to war with Iraq, the consolidation of Big Media is just the opposite of what is needed. Thankfully, we have PBS television programs such as *Bill Moyers Journal* and *Frontline* willing to tackle today's challenging issues in an attempt to educate the American populace.

Another issue of concern is the inconsistencies in noise level from one channel to another and from television programs to the commercials. I understand that there is a law forbidding commercials from being louder than the program, but we all know that Big Business has found at least one way to circumvent the law. For commercials to be louder than the show, one need only find the loudest point in the program and then max out the commercial at that volume. I first wrote former FCC Chairman Michael Powell in July of 2002 regarding this issue. I received a response informing me that commercials are no louder than the programs they appear. Does anyone seriously believe this to be true?

I believe that it is the role of the federal government to supervise the actions and policies of Big Business. We have allowed Big Money to influence every aspect of our lives and I fear for the judiciousness of our children. George Orwell was right; he was just off by a couple of decades!

Sincerely,

  
Steven H. Spring

C.: Mr. Bill Moyers  
Senator Byron Dorgan  
Senator Trent Lott

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Rep. Chairman Kevin J. Martin  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.  
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Dear Committee Member,

I strongly oppose any action by the Federal Communication Commission that would allow any of the present owners of the newspapers, television, radio or other forms of national media, to acquire any additional outlets. All I can think of are the days in Germany, Italy, and other countries when their media was taken over by Hitler and the other dictators who then controlled all the information. We need more media outlets owned by minority groups----in fact the more the better and all having a different point of view.

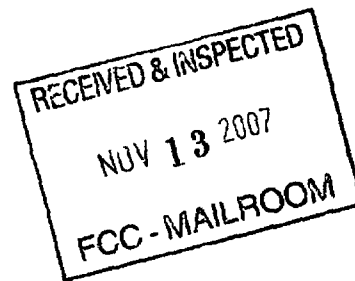
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PS: And my husband joins me in these thoughts.

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November 6, 2007

Federal Communications Commission  
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Washington, D.C. 20554

Attention: Mr. Kevin Martin, Chairman

Dear Mr. Martin:

I am writing this letter to your attention to protest lifting current restrictions to allow the current media conglomerates to take over more of our newspapers, radio and television stations. This, as I understand it, is the plan to be initiated in December of this year, 2007.

If the FCC cares anything about this country, licensing of the media should returned to the restrictions of several years ago where one company was not allowed to own so many stations, newspapers, etc. **THE WAY IT IS SET-UP NOW AMERICAN CITIZENS ARE ONLY ALLOWED TO HEAR WHAT VIACOM, DISNEY, MURDOCK, ETC. WANT US TO HEAR!**

Hopefully enough citizens will contact the FCC to protest this plan to take away more of our rights as citizens.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ken &amp; Jan Vaillencourt".

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Chairman Kevin J. Martin  
Federal Communications Commission  
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Dear Chairman Martin:

Freedom of expression is of paramount importance in our country and must be preserved.

Media consolidation has caused a decline in the quality and quantity of local news, the lack of minority ownership in broadcasting, and the uniformity of TV and radio programming. Allowing big media companies to own even more media outlets will exacerbate the situation.

I oppose any action by the FCC to relax media ownership limitations.

Sincerely,

*Anne W. Vanderhoof*

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FCC - MAILROOM

**RE: CROSS-OWNERSHIP LIMITS**

Dear Chairman Martin:

**I strongly oppose any weakening of the FCC rule limiting cross-ownership of media.**

With six mega-corporations currently controlling most of our media, further consolidation strikes me as a march toward monopoly, hardly conducive to a democratic system of governance. As Thomas Jefferson recognized, information must flow freely from diverse sources, fostering the educated citizenry a free society must have if it is to survive.

If you want to change rules, why not reverse some of the media consolidation that's already taken place. Citizens would be better informed, and liberty would be better served than it is today.

Very truly yours,

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FEC Mail Room

I am ashamed that you and I share the same last name, because you are a despicable little man.

You are obviously going to get a big payoff from the major media conglomerates by trying to give them free access to gobbling up and controlling all local media facilities.

It is greedy little ~~men~~ like you that are destroying the fabric of a free and well informed society, where all views can be expressed.

It is sad how easy big corporations can find puppets in government position like yours who are willing to sell out the public's welfare and do the bidding of said corporations.

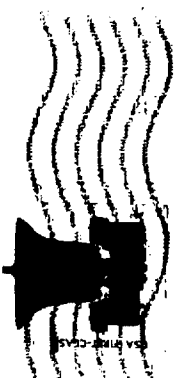
It is corrupt officials like yourself, who are in the pockets of big business, that have created the bad image now associated with the Republican Party.

You are one pathetic person and a disgrace to all humanity. I just hope that eventually scum like you can be stopped.

Norman C. Martin

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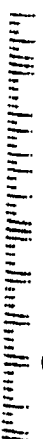


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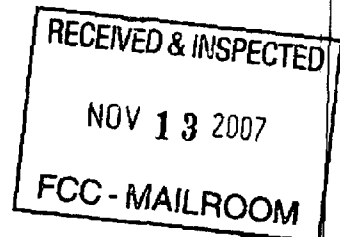
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November 7, 2007

Chairman Kevin Martin  
Federal Communications Commission  
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Dear Chairman Martin:

I am deeply concerned about the growing concentration of media resources in the hands of a few corporate giants. Freedom of speech means little if people cannot get varied opinions and if the truth of issues cannot be debated. Democracy also demands that local and regional issues receive attention.

I hope that you have the integrity to halt media concentration and to encourage diverse opinions. I also hope that the Worldwide Web will remain free, so that we "little people" have a voice. It should be pointed out that corporate greed is only too likely not only to lead to the death of democracy, but also to the eventual downfall of corporations.

Please consider halting media concentration and keeping the Web free.

Sincerely yours,

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